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**AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION, MOTOR VEHICLES,
HIGHWAY SAFETY AND SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "automatic traffic safety camera system" means a device consisting
3 substantially of a radar unit or sensor linked to a camera or other
4 recording device that produces one or more photographs,
5 microphotographs, videotapes or digital or other recorded images of
6 the license plate of a vehicle that is traveling in excess of the speed
7 limit or unreasonably fast.

8 (b) On or before October 1, 2009, the Commissioner of Public Safety
9 shall establish a program for the installation of automatic traffic safety
10 camera systems to identify violators of sections 14-218a and 14-219 of
11 the general statutes.

12 (c) Whenever a violation of section 14-218a or 14-219 of the general
13 statutes is detected and recorded by an automatic traffic safety camera

14 system, the law enforcement agency shall, not later than fourteen days
15 after the alleged violation, mail a summons to the registered owner of
16 the vehicle and include with the summons a copy of the recorded
17 image or images produced by the automatic traffic safety camera
18 system and a sworn affidavit of the law enforcement officer issuing the
19 summons, containing the facts supporting the summons. Said affidavit
20 shall be prima facie evidence of the facts contained within it and shall
21 be admissible in a proceeding charging a violation of section 14-218a or
22 14-219 of the general statutes. Any images produced by the automatic
23 traffic safety camera evidencing the violation shall be available for
24 inspection and admission into evidence in a proceeding charging a
25 violation of section 14-218a or 14-219 of the general statutes.

26 (d) There shall be a presumption that the registered owner of the
27 vehicle was the person in control of the vehicle at the time that the
28 alleged violation occurred, in accordance with section 14-107 of the
29 general statutes. Such presumption may be rebutted if the registered
30 owner states, under oath, that said vehicle was, at the time of the
31 alleged violation, stolen, or in the care, custody or control of some
32 person other than the registered owner.

33 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) (a) On and after July 1, 2009, the
34 holder of a motor vehicle operator's license who accumulates seven or
35 more points on his or her driving record for motor vehicle violations
36 shall be assessed an annual driver responsibility fee of one hundred
37 dollars for two consecutive years. For each additional point
38 accumulated above seven points an additional annual fee of fifty
39 dollars shall be assessed. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall
40 collect the fees described in this subsection.

41 (b) In addition to the fees assessed pursuant to subsection (a) of this
42 section, any person, whether or not such person is a licensed motor
43 vehicle operator, found guilty of any offense listed in this subsection
44 shall be assessed, by the commissioner, an annual driver responsibility
45 fee of one thousand dollars for two consecutive years:

46 (1) Manslaughter, negligent homicide or a felony resulting from the
47 operation of a motor vehicle;

48 (2) Driving while impaired in violation of subsection (b) of section
49 14-227a of the general statutes;

50 (3) Failing to stop and disclose identity at the scene of an accident
51 when required by law; or

52 (4) Fleeing or eluding an officer.

53 (c) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall send a notice of the
54 driver responsibility assessment, as prescribed under subsection (a) or
55 (b) of this section, to the individual by regular mail to the address on
56 the records of the said commissioner. If payment is not received within
57 thirty days after the notice is mailed, the commissioner shall send a
58 second notice that indicates that, if payment is not received within the
59 next thirty days, the driver's driving privileges will be suspended.

60 (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may authorize payment by
61 installment for an amount of five hundred dollars or more for a period
62 not to exceed twelve months.

63 (e) If payment is not received or an installment plan is not
64 established after the time limit required by the second notice
65 prescribed under subsection (c) of this section expires, the
66 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall suspend the driving privileges
67 until the assessment and any other fees prescribed under this section
68 are paid.

69 (f) A fee shall not be assessed under this section for seven points or
70 more on a driving record on July 1, 2009. Points assigned after said
71 date shall be assessed as prescribed under subsections (a) and (b) of
72 this section.

73 Sec. 3. Section 14-270c of the general statutes is repealed and the
74 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

75 (a) The [Commissioners of Public Safety and] Commissioner of
76 Motor Vehicles shall staff and coordinate coverage and hours of
77 operation of the official weighing areas as follows:

78 (1) Greenwich: Eight work shifts in each seven-day period from
79 Sunday through Saturday. No such shifts shall be worked
80 consecutively, except that two shifts may be worked consecutively on
81 not more than three days;

82 (2) Danbury: Three work shifts in each seven-day period from
83 Sunday through Saturday. The Commissioner of [Public Safety] Motor
84 Vehicles shall, whenever possible, coordinate coverage between this
85 official weighing area and the official weighing area in Greenwich in
86 order to ensure concurrent coverage;

87 (3) Union: Between five and eight work shifts in each seven-day
88 period from Sunday through Saturday; [The Commissioner of Motor
89 Vehicles shall coordinate the hours of operation of this official
90 weighing area;] and

91 (4) Portable scale locations: Ten shifts in each seven-day period from
92 Sunday through Saturday which shall be staggered throughout the
93 four geographical areas established by the Commissioner of [Public
94 Safety] Motor Vehicles with concentration in areas that have fewer
95 hours of operation for the permanent weighing areas.

96 (b) The [Commissioners of Public Safety and] Commissioner of
97 Motor Vehicles shall adjust the work shifts required in subsection (a)
98 of this section on a daily basis in order to effectuate an unpredictable
99 schedule.

100 (c) The Commissioner of [Public Safety] Motor Vehicles may assign
101 any remaining personnel [in the traffic unit] to the permanent
102 weighing areas in Waterford and Middletown or to the portable scale
103 operations.

104 (d) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall assign personnel from

105 the traffic unit to work between nine and twelve shifts in each seven-
106 day period from Sunday through Saturday to patrol and enforce laws
107 relative to the safe movement of all vehicles on the highways of the
108 state.

109 [(e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commissioner of
110 Public Safety from reassigning personnel in the traffic unit as he deems
111 necessary in order to ensure public safety.]

112 Sec. 4. Section 14-270 of the general statutes is repealed and the
113 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

114 (a) The Commissioner of Transportation or other authority having
115 charge of the repair or maintenance of any highway or bridge is
116 authorized to grant permits for transporting vehicles or combinations
117 of vehicles or vehicles and load, or other objects not conforming to the
118 provisions of sections 14-98, 14-262, 14-264, 14-267a and 14-269 but, in
119 the case of motor vehicles, only the Commissioner of Transportation
120 shall be authorized to issue such permits. Such permits shall be
121 written, and may limit the highways or bridges which may be used,
122 the time of such use and the maximum rate of speed at which such
123 vehicles or objects may be operated, and may contain any other
124 condition considered necessary by the authority granting the same,
125 provided the Department of Transportation shall not suffer any loss of
126 revenue granted or to be granted from any agency or department of
127 the federal government for the federal interstate highway system or
128 any other highway system.

129 (b) Any permit issued in respect to any vehicle or combination of
130 vehicles or vehicle and trailer on account of its excessive weight shall
131 be limited to the gross weight shown or to be shown on the
132 registration certificate. A permit granted under this section for a
133 vehicle or load, greater than twelve feet, but no greater than thirteen
134 feet six inches in width and traveling on undivided highways, shall
135 require a single escort motor vehicle to precede such vehicle or load.
136 No escort motor vehicle shall be required to follow such vehicle or

137 load on such highways.

138 (c) Any permit issued under this section or a legible copy or
139 facsimile shall be retained in the possession of the operator of the
140 vehicle or combination of vehicles or vehicle and trailer for which such
141 permit was issued, except that an electronic confirmation of the
142 existence of such permit or the use of the special number plates
143 described in section 14-24 and any regulations adopted thereunder
144 shall be sufficient to fulfill the requirements of this section.

145 (d) (1) The owner or lessee of any vehicle may pay either a
146 nonrefundable fee of [twenty-three] thirty dollars for each permit
147 issued for such vehicle under this section or a fee as described in
148 subdivision [(3)] (7) of this subsection for such vehicle, payable to the
149 Department of Transportation.

150 (2) A fifty-dollar engineering fee will be assessed to any single unit
151 vehicle that exceeds any of the following gross weight limits: One
152 hundred ten thousand pounds on four axles, one hundred fourteen
153 thousand five hundred pounds on five axles or one hundred fifteen
154 thousand pounds on six axles when routing requires such vehicle to
155 traverse a structure with a nonposted limit.

156 (3) A one-hundred-dollar engineering fee will be assessed to any
157 vehicle combination for: (A) An overweight permit request for a
158 vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of more than one hundred sixty
159 thousand pounds and less than two hundred thousand pounds; or (B)
160 an oversize permit request for a vehicle with a height or width in
161 excess of fifteen feet or an overall length in excess of one hundred forty
162 feet.

163 (4) (A) A two-hundred-dollar engineering fee will be assessed to
164 any vehicle combination weighing two hundred thousand pounds or
165 more and less than five hundred thousand pounds.

166 (B) A five-hundred-dollar engineering fee will be assessed to any

167 vehicle combination weighing five hundred thousand pounds or more.

168 (5) Vehicles required to pay an engineering fee are authorized to use
169 approved routing for a six-month period, as long as the vehicle
170 configuration or routing is not changed.

171 [(2)] (6) An additional transmittal fee of [three] five dollars shall be
172 charged for each permit issued under this section and transmitted via
173 [transceiver or facsimile] electronic equipment.

174 [(3)] (7) The commissioner may issue an annual permit for any
175 vehicle transporting (A) a divisible load, (B) an overweight or
176 oversized-overweight indivisible load, or (C) an oversize indivisible
177 load. The owner or lessee shall pay an annual fee of [seven] nine
178 dollars per thousand pounds or fraction thereof for each such vehicle.
179 A permit may be issued in any increment up to one year, provided the
180 owner or lessee shall pay a fee of [one-tenth of the annual fee] one
181 hundred dollars for such vehicle for each month or fraction thereof.

182 [(4)] (8) The annual permit fee for any vehicle transporting an
183 oversize indivisible load shall not be less than [five hundred] six
184 hundred fifty dollars.

185 (9) Such fees are payable to the Department of Transportation and
186 are not prorated, transferable or refundable.

187 [(5)] (10) The commissioner may issue permits for divisible loads in
188 the aggregate not exceeding fifty-three feet in length.

189 (e) The Commissioner of Transportation shall adopt regulations in
190 accordance with chapter 54 prescribing standards for issuance of
191 permits for vehicles with divisible or indivisible loads not conforming
192 to the provisions of section 14-267a.

193 (f) The provisions of subsection (d) of this section shall not apply to
194 the federal government, the state, municipalities or fire departments.

195 (g) Any person who violates the provisions of any permit issued
196 under this section or fails to obtain such a permit, when operating a
197 commercial motor vehicle under the provisions of section 14-163c,
198 shall be subject to the following penalties:

199 (1) A person operating a vehicle with a permit issued under this
200 section that exceeds the weight specified in such permit shall be subject
201 to a penalty calculated by subtracting the permitted weight from the
202 actual vehicle weight and the rate of the fine shall be fifteen dollars per
203 one hundred pounds or fraction thereof of such excess weight;

204 (2) A person who fails to obtain a permit issued under section 14-
205 262 or 14-264 and who is operating a vehicle at a weight that exceeds
206 the statutory limit for weight shall be subject to a penalty calculated by
207 subtracting the statutory limit for weight from the actual vehicle
208 weight and the rate of the fine shall be fifteen dollars per one hundred
209 pounds or fraction thereof of such excess weight;

210 (3) A person operating a vehicle with a permit issued under this
211 section that exceeds the length specified in such permit shall be subject
212 to a minimum fine of three hundred dollars;

213 (4) A person operating a vehicle with a permit issued under this
214 section that exceeds the width specified in such permit shall be subject
215 to a minimum fine of three hundred dollars;

216 (5) A person operating a vehicle with a permit issued under this
217 section that exceeds the height specified in such permit shall be subject
218 to a minimum fine of one thousand dollars;

219 (6) A person operating a vehicle with a permit issued under this
220 section on routes not specified in such permit, shall be fined (A) one
221 thousand five hundred dollars for each violation of the statutory limit
222 for length, width, height or weight, and (B) shall be subject to a penalty
223 calculated by subtracting the statutory weight limit of subsection (b) of
224 section 14-267a from the actual vehicle weight and such weight

225 difference shall be fined at the rate provided for in subparagraph (G)
226 of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of section 14-267a; or

227 (7) A person (A) operating a vehicle with an indivisible load and
228 violating one or more of the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (6),
229 inclusive, of this subsection shall be required to obtain a permit, or (B)
230 operating a vehicle with a divisible load and violating one or more of
231 the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of this subsection
232 shall be required to be off loaded to the permit limit.

233 (h) (1) If the origin, destination, load description, tractor
234 registration, trailer registration, hours of travel, number of escorts,
235 signs or flags of a vehicle with a permit issued under this section differ
236 from those stated on such permit or required by regulations adopted
237 pursuant to this section, a minimum fine of two hundred dollars shall
238 be assessed for each such violation.

239 (2) If the days of travel of a vehicle with a permit issued under this
240 section differ from those stated on such permit or the vehicle is
241 operated under a false or fraudulent permit, a minimum fine of one
242 thousand five hundred dollars shall be assessed for such violation in
243 addition to any other penalties assessed.

244 Sec. 5. Section 21-50 of the general statutes is repealed and the
245 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

246 No person, firm or corporation shall erect or maintain any outdoor
247 advertising structure, device or display until a permit for the erection
248 of such structure, device or display has been obtained from the
249 Commissioner of Transportation. Application for such permit shall be
250 in writing, signed by the applicant or his authorized agent, upon
251 blanks furnished by the commissioner in such form and requiring such
252 information as he prescribes. Each application shall have attached
253 thereto the written consent of the owners of the property on which
254 such structure, device or display is to be erected or maintained. A sign
255 structure referenced in an approved sign permit application shall be

256 fully constructed such that it is able to display advertising within six
257 months from the date of the sign permit issuance. Failure to complete
258 the construction of the proposed sign structure within the six-month
259 period shall cause the automatic cancellation of the sign permit for the
260 proposed sign at the proposed location. Each application shall be
261 accompanied by a fee as provided in subsection (a) of section 21-52, as
262 amended by this act. The fee for such permit shall be as provided in
263 subsection (b) of said section and shall be payable upon the granting of
264 such permit and annually thereafter on the first day of August.

265 Sec. 6. Section 21-52 of the general statutes is repealed and the
266 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

267 (a) [The fee for an application] A nonrefundable application fee of
268 two hundred dollars shall be required for a permit to erect or maintain
269 any outdoor advertising structure, device or display. [shall be as
270 follows: For each panel, bulletin, or sign containing less than three
271 hundred square feet of advertising space, fifty dollars; and for each
272 panel, bulletin or sign containing three hundred square feet or more of
273 advertising space, one hundred dollars.] A nonrefundable application
274 fee of fifty dollars shall be required for a permit to erect any sign,
275 display or advertising device for sixty days or less.

276 (b) The annual fee for such permit shall be as follows: For each
277 panel, bulletin or sign containing three hundred square feet or less of
278 advertising space, [twenty] one hundred dollars; for each panel,
279 bulletin or sign containing more than three hundred square feet and
280 not more than six hundred square feet of advertising space, [forty] two
281 hundred dollars; and for each panel, bulletin or sign containing more
282 than six hundred square feet and not more than nine hundred square
283 feet of advertising space, [sixty] three hundred dollars. No sign shall
284 be erected which contains more than nine hundred square feet of
285 advertising space. A fee shall be paid for each side of each panel,
286 bulletin or sign used for advertising, provided, if two panels, bulletins
287 or signs advertising for the same products or services are attached to

288 the same support or supports, only one annual permit fee shall be paid
289 for each side thereof and the total advertising space on each side
290 thereof shall be used for computing the annual permit fee of each
291 panel, bulletin or sign. The annual permit fee for any part of a year
292 shall bear the same proportion to the annual permit fee for an entire
293 year that the number of months in such part bears to the entire year.
294 Any advertising display removed within sixty days from its erection or
295 placement shall not be subject to the annual permit fee.

296 Sec. 7. Section 1-1h of the general statutes is repealed and the
297 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

298 (a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle
299 operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for
300 an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be
301 accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of
302 identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by
303 the Department of Correction. Such application shall include: (1) The
304 applicant's name; (2) the applicant's address; (3) whether the address is
305 permanent or temporary; (4) the applicant's date of birth; (5) notice to
306 the applicant that false statements on such application are punishable
307 under section 53a-157b; and (6) such other pertinent information as the
308 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles deems necessary. A fee of [twenty-
309 two dollars and fifty cents] twenty-nine dollars shall be paid to the
310 department upon issuance to the applicant of an identity card which
311 contains a picture of the applicant and specifies the applicant's height,
312 sex and eye color. The applicant shall sign the application in the
313 presence of an official of the department. The commissioner may
314 waive the fee for any applicant who has voluntarily surrendered such
315 applicant's motor vehicle operator's license or whose license has been
316 refused by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection
317 (e) of section 14-36. The commissioner may waive the fee for any
318 applicant who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for
319 homeless persons. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in
320 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish the

321 procedure and qualifications for the issuance of an identity card to any
322 such homeless applicant.

323 (b) An identity card shall expire within a period not exceeding six
324 years from the date of issuance of such card. Each such card shall
325 indicate its date of expiration. Any person who holds an identity card
326 shall be notified by the commissioner before its expiration and may
327 renew such card in such manner as the commissioner shall prescribe
328 upon payment of a fee of [twenty-two dollars and fifty cents] twenty-
329 nine dollars.

330 (c) A distinctive identity card shall be issued to any applicant less
331 than twenty-one years of age. The identity card shall contain a
332 statement that it is issued subject to the same verification of the
333 applicant's identity as required for the issuance of a motor vehicle
334 operator's license. The card may thereafter be exhibited to establish the
335 age and identity of the person to whom it was issued.

336 (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the
337 Liquor Control Commission, shall adopt regulations in accordance
338 with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this
339 section and section 30-86.

340 (e) Any person who misrepresents his age or practices any other
341 deceit in the procurement of an identity card, or uses or exhibits an
342 identity card belonging to any other person, shall be fined not more
343 than fifty dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days or both.

344 Sec. 8. Section 14-12g of the general statutes is repealed and the
345 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

346 (a) When a private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance
347 policy has been cancelled and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
348 determines that the owner of a registered motor vehicle is in violation
349 of the mandatory security requirements of sections 14-12c and 38a-371,
350 the commissioner shall issue to such owner a notice of suspension of

351 the registration involved, provided the commissioner may decline to
352 issue such notice if the registration of the motor vehicle is cancelled or
353 if the commissioner cannot establish that such violation occurred for a
354 period of more than fourteen days.

355 (b) If a registered owner to whom notice of suspension was issued
356 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section does not contest the
357 determination that he or she has failed to maintain mandatory
358 security, the commissioner may enter into a consent agreement with
359 the owner, provided the owner presents satisfactory evidence of
360 mandatory security and pays a civil penalty of two hundred fifty
361 dollars. The consent agreement shall provide that the registration of
362 the motor vehicle shall not be suspended, or that any suspension
363 imposed previously, pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, shall be
364 rescinded, unless (1) the commissioner determines that on or after the
365 effective date of the consent agreement the owner failed to
366 continuously maintain the required security, and (2) the owner cannot
367 establish to the satisfaction of the commissioner that the owner
368 continuously maintained the required security after said effective date.
369 Such consent agreement shall not operate to prevent the commissioner
370 from cancelling, suspending or revoking a registration pursuant to any
371 other provision of the general statutes.

372 (c) The commissioner may suspend the motor vehicle operator's
373 license of any person whose registration has been suspended in
374 accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, or
375 section 14-12c and who, not later than thirty days after the date of such
376 suspension, has not entered into a consent agreement, in accordance
377 with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, cancelled the
378 registration or transferred ownership of the motor vehicle. Any person
379 aggrieved by the decision of the commissioner to suspend his license
380 under this subsection shall, prior to the effective date of such
381 suspension, be afforded an opportunity for a hearing in accordance
382 with the provisions of chapter 54.

383 Sec. 9. Section 14-12s of the general statutes is repealed and the
384 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

385 For the registration of each motor vehicle that has passed an
386 inspection in accordance with the requirements of subsection (g) of
387 section 14-12 or section 14-16a or that has passed an inspection of its
388 manufacturer's vehicle identification number, the commissioner shall
389 charge an administrative fee of [ten] fifteen dollars, in addition to the
390 fee or fees prescribed for such registration.

391 Sec. 10. Section 14-16 of the general statutes is repealed and the
392 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

393 (a) A motor vehicle registration expires upon transfer of ownership
394 of the motor vehicle. The person in whose name the motor vehicle is
395 registered shall return to the commissioner, within twenty-four hours
396 of the motor vehicle's transfer, the certificate of registration, the
397 number plate or plates issued for the vehicle together with a written
398 notice, subject to the penalties of false statement, containing the date
399 that ownership of the vehicle was transferred and the name, residence
400 and post-office address of the owner. The following statement shall
401 appear directly above the space provided for the signature of the
402 person filing the form: "I declare under the penalties of false statement
403 that this notice has been examined by me and to the best of my
404 knowledge and belief is complete, and the statements made herein are
405 true and correct."

406 (b) If a motor vehicle is owned by one owner who is a natural
407 person, such owner may designate, in writing in a space provided on
408 the certificate of registration for such motor vehicle, a beneficiary who
409 shall assume ownership of such motor vehicle after the death of the
410 owner and upon the making of an application pursuant to this
411 subsection. The owner making such designation shall have all rights of
412 ownership of such motor vehicle during the owner's life and the
413 beneficiary shall have no rights in such motor vehicle until such time
414 as the owner dies and an application is made pursuant to this

subsection. Not later than sixty days after the death of the owner, the beneficiary may make application to the commissioner for the issuance of a certificate of title and a certificate of registration for such motor vehicle in the beneficiary's name. Such application shall be accompanied by: (1) The original certificate of registration in which the beneficiary is designated pursuant to this subsection; (2) a death certificate for the deceased owner; (3) such proof of the beneficiary's identity as the commissioner may require; (4) the transfer fee required by subsection (c) of this section; and (5) any applicable fees for registration, title and number plates as required under this chapter and chapter 247. If the beneficiary fails to make such application within the time period specified in this subsection, the beneficiary shall have no right to obtain ownership of and title to such motor vehicle under this subsection after the expiration of such time period. The right of the beneficiary to obtain ownership of and title to such motor vehicle under this subsection shall be subordinate to the rights of each lienholder whose security interest in such motor vehicle is duly recorded pursuant to chapter 247. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this subsection.

(c) If the owner of a registered motor vehicle dies, the registration for the vehicle shall, unless the vehicle is destroyed, continue in force as a valid registration until the end of the registration period unless: (1) Ownership of the vehicle is transferred pursuant to subsection (b) of this section or by the deceased owner's executor, administrator, legatee or distributee prior to the end of the registration period, in which case the registration shall continue in force until the time of the transfer; or (2) ownership of the vehicle is transferred to the brother, sister, father, mother, child or spouse of the owner, in which case the registration shall, upon the payment of a fee of [twenty] twenty-five dollars, continue in force until the end of the registration period or until the ownership is sooner transferred to a person other than such a relative. If at the end of the registration period the relative has not transferred ownership of the vehicle and the relative applies for registration of the

449 vehicle, the registration shall not be subject to the provisions of
450 subsection (a) of section 12-71b.

451 (d) If a motor vehicle is transferred in connection with the
452 organization, reorganization or dissolution, or because of the partial
453 liquidation, of an incorporated or unincorporated business in which
454 gain or loss to the transferor is not recognized for federal income tax
455 purposes under the Internal Revenue Code and Treasury regulations
456 and rulings issued thereunder, the registration of the vehicle shall,
457 upon the payment of a fee of [twenty] twenty-five dollars, continue in
458 force until the end of the registration period or until the registration is
459 sooner transferred to anyone outside the original business
460 organization. If the transferee of the motor vehicle has not transferred
461 ownership of the motor vehicle to anyone outside the original business
462 organization at the end of the registration period and the transferee
463 applies for a registration for the vehicle, the registration shall not be
464 subject to the provisions of subsection (a) of section 12-71b.

465 (e) A person who transfers ownership of a registered motor vehicle
466 to another may have registered in his name, upon the filing of a new
467 application and the payment of the fee required by subsection (i) of
468 section 14-49, as amended by this act, another motor vehicle for the
469 remainder of the registration period if the gross weight of the other
470 motor vehicle is the same or less than that of the transferred motor
471 vehicle and the registration of the transferred motor vehicle has been
472 surrendered. If the gross weight of the other motor vehicle is greater
473 than the gross weight of the motor vehicle the registration of which has
474 been surrendered, the applicant shall pay, in addition to such fee, the
475 difference between the fee paid by him for the surrendered registration
476 and the fee for the registration of the motor vehicle of greater gross
477 weight. The minimum fee for any such transfer shall be [twenty]
478 twenty-five dollars.

479 (f) Any person may transfer an unexpired registration of a motor
480 vehicle such person owns or leases for a period of one year or more, to

481 another motor vehicle owned or so leased by such person upon
482 payment of the fee required by subsection (i) of section 14-49, as
483 amended by this act. Any person transferring such a leased motor
484 vehicle shall provide the commissioner with evidence that the lessor
485 has granted permission for such transfer. If a transfer is made to a
486 motor vehicle of greater gross weight or from one class of registration
487 to another, credit shall be given toward the new registration in
488 accordance with schedules established by the commissioner. The
489 commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54,
490 to implement the provisions of this subsection.

491 (g) Any person who sells any motor vehicle, other than a new motor
492 vehicle, for which a certificate of title has not been issued and which is
493 not registered under the provisions of subsections (e) or (g) of section
494 14-12, shall, within forty-eight hours of the sale, certify under oath to
495 the commissioner, on blanks provided by him, such information as the
496 commissioner may require. Until the commissioner receives the
497 certification under oath required by this subsection, he shall not issue a
498 registration other than for a new motor vehicle and shall not renew a
499 registration other than for the same owner.

500 (h) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this
501 section shall be subject to the penalty provided for false statement.
502 Any person who violates any provision of subsection (g) of this section
503 shall, for a first offense, be deemed to have committed an infraction,
504 and, for a subsequent offense, shall be fined not more than five
505 hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than one year or both.

506 Sec. 11. Section 14-41 of the general statutes is repealed and the
507 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

508 (a) Except as provided in section 14-41a, each motor vehicle
509 operator's license shall be renewed every six years or every four years
510 on the date of the operator's birthday in accordance with a schedule to
511 be established by the commissioner. On and after July 1, [2009] 2011,
512 the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall screen the vision of each

513 motor vehicle operator prior to every other renewal of the operator's
514 license of such operator in accordance with a schedule adopted by the
515 commissioner. Such screening requirement shall apply to every other
516 renewal following the initial screening. In lieu of the vision screening
517 by the commissioner, such operator may submit the results of a vision
518 screening conducted by a licensed health care professional qualified to
519 conduct such screening on a form prescribed by the commissioner
520 during the twelve months preceding such renewal. No motor vehicle
521 operator's license may be renewed unless the operator passes such
522 vision screening. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in
523 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the
524 provisions of this subsection related to the administration of vision
525 screening.

526 (b) An original operator's license shall expire within a period not
527 exceeding six years following the date of the operator's next birthday.
528 The fee for such original license shall be computed at the rate of [forty-
529 four] fifty-two dollars for a four-year license, [sixty-six] seventy-eight
530 dollars for a six-year license and [eleven] thirteen dollars per year for
531 any part of a year thereof. The commissioner may authorize an
532 automobile club or association, licensed in accordance with the
533 provisions of section 14-67 on or before July 1, 2007, to perform license
534 renewals at its office facilities. The commissioner may authorize such
535 automobile clubs or associations to charge a convenience fee, which
536 shall not exceed two dollars, to each applicant for renewal.

537 (c) The commissioner shall, at least fifteen days before the date on
538 which each motor vehicle operator's license expires, notify the operator
539 of the expiration date. Any previously licensed operator who operates
540 a motor vehicle within sixty days after the expiration date of the
541 operator's license without obtaining a renewal of the license shall be
542 deemed to have failed to renew a motor vehicle operator's license and
543 shall be fined in accordance with the amount designated for the
544 infraction of failure to renew a motor vehicle operator's license. Any
545 operator so charged shall not be prosecuted under section 14-36 for the

546 same act constituting a violation under this section but section 14-36
547 shall apply after the sixty-day period.

548 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1-3a, if the expiration
549 date of any motor vehicle operator's license or any public passenger
550 transportation permit falls on any day when offices of the
551 commissioner are closed for business or are open for less than a full
552 business day, the license or permit shall be deemed valid until
553 midnight of the next day on which offices of the commissioner are
554 open for a full day of business.

555 Sec. 12. Section 14-44h of the general statutes is repealed and the
556 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

557 (a) Each commercial driver's license shall be renewed quadrennially
558 on the date of the operator's birthday. On and after September 1, 2005,
559 each applicant shall, at the time of the first renewal such commercial
560 driver's license, provide the names of all states in which the applicant
561 ever has been issued a motor vehicle operator's license. If the applicant
562 has held a license in another state at any time during the preceding ten
563 years, the commissioner shall request the driving history record or
564 records from the state or states in which the applicant has been
565 licensed. If the commissioner receives a request for a driving history
566 record from another state regarding the holder of a commercial
567 driver's license, the commissioner shall provide such record within
568 thirty days, as required by the provisions of 49 CFR 384.206, as
569 amended.

570 (b) A commercial driver's license shall expire within a period not
571 exceeding four years following the date of the operator's next birthday.
572 The fee for such original license shall be computed at the rate of
573 [~~fifteen~~] nineteen dollars per year or any part thereof.

574 (c) The commissioner shall, at least fifteen days before the date on
575 which each commercial driver's license expires, notify the operator of
576 the expiration date. Any previously licensed operator who operates a

577 commercial motor vehicle within sixty days after the expiration date of
578 such operator license without obtaining a renewal of such license shall
579 be deemed to have failed to renew a motor vehicle operator's license
580 and shall be fined in accordance with the amount designated for the
581 infraction of failure to renew a motor vehicle operator's license. Any
582 operator so charged shall not be prosecuted under section 14-36 for the
583 same act constituting a violation under this section but said section 14-
584 36 shall apply after the sixty-day period.

585 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1-3a, if the expiration
586 date of any commercial driver's license falls on any day when offices of
587 the commissioner are closed for business or are open for less than a full
588 business day, the license shall be deemed valid until midnight of the
589 next day on which offices of the commissioner are open for a full day
590 of business.

591 Sec. 13. Section 14-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the
592 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

593 (a) The commissioner shall determine the gross weight of each
594 motor vehicle which is eligible for commercial registration, including
595 each tractor equipped with rubber tires and, for the purpose of
596 computing fees, gross weight shall be the weight of the vehicle in
597 pounds plus the rated load capacity in pounds as determined by the
598 commissioner, provided, in the case of a tractor restricted for use with
599 a trailer, registered as a heavy duty trailer, the fee shall be based on the
600 gross weight of the tractor which shall be the light weight of such
601 tractor; and said commissioner shall collect fees for registration based
602 on such gross weight, as follows: When all surfaces in contact with the
603 ground are equipped with pneumatic tires, the fee for such motor
604 vehicle or tractor of gross weight not exceeding twenty thousand
605 pounds shall be one dollar and sixteen cents, for each one hundred
606 pounds or fraction thereof; from twenty thousand and one pounds up
607 to and including thirty thousand pounds, one dollar and forty-two
608 cents, for each one hundred pounds or fraction thereof; from thirty

609 thousand and one pounds up to and including seventy-three thousand
610 pounds, one dollar and seventy-seven cents, for each one hundred
611 pounds or fraction thereof; from seventy-three thousand and one
612 pounds and over, one dollar and ninety-two cents, for each one
613 hundred pounds or fraction thereof. In addition to any other fee
614 required under this subsection, a fee of [ten] thirty dollars shall be
615 collected for the registration of each motor vehicle subject to this
616 subsection.

617 (b) The minimum fee for any commercial registration or registration
618 of a tractor equipped with pneumatic tires shall be [forty-four] sixty-
619 four dollars.

620 (c) For the registration of each motor vehicle classed as an artesian
621 well driller or well drilling equipment, however mounted, when
622 equipped with rubber tires, the fee shall be [forty] sixty-six dollars per
623 annum whether the license is issued for the license year or only a
624 portion thereof. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be forty-six
625 dollars.]

626 (d) For the registration of a motor vehicle equipped with a wood
627 saw rig, if it is used for that purpose only, or a motor vehicle equipped
628 with a spray rig used exclusively for spraying fruit trees or shrubs,
629 when equipped with rubber tires, the fee shall be [twenty-two] forty-
630 five dollars per annum whether the license is issued for the license
631 year or only a portion thereof. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall
632 be twenty-five dollars.]

633 (e) For all other motor vehicles which are eligible for commercial
634 registration, including tractors equipped with rubber tires other than
635 pneumatic tires, the fee shall be, for each such vehicle or tractor of
636 gross weight (1) not exceeding twenty thousand pounds, one dollar
637 and fifty cents, and on and after July 1, 1992, one dollar and seventy-
638 five cents, for each one hundred pounds or fraction thereof, and (2)
639 from twenty thousand and one pounds up to and including twenty-six
640 thousand pounds, two dollars, and on and after July 1, 1992, two

dollars and twenty-five cents, for each one hundred pounds or fraction thereof. The minimum fee for any such motor vehicle or tractor shall be [fifty] seventy-six dollars. [On and after July 1, 1992, the minimum fee shall be fifty-six dollars.]

Sec. 14. Section 14-49 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) For the registration of each passenger motor vehicle, other than an electric motor vehicle, the fee shall be [seventy-five] eighty-five dollars every two years, provided any individual who is sixty-five years of age or older on or after January 1, 1981, may, at his discretion, renew the registration of such passenger motor vehicle owned by him for either a one-year or two-year period. The fee for one year shall be [thirty-eight] forty-three dollars, and the fee for two years shall be [seventy-five] eighty-five dollars; provided the biennial fee for any motor vehicle for which special license plates have been issued under the provisions of section 14-20 shall be [seventy-five] eighty-five dollars. The provisions of this subsection relative to the biennial fee charged for the registration of each antique, rare or special interest motor vehicle for which special license plates have been issued under section 14-20 shall not apply to an antique fire apparatus or transit bus owned by a nonprofit organization and maintained primarily for use in parades, exhibitions or other public events but not for purposes of general transportation.

(b) (1) For the registration of each motorcycle, the biennial fee shall be [forty] fifty dollars, subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection. For the registration of each motorcycle with side car or box attached used for commercial purposes, the biennial fee shall be [fifty-six] sixty-six dollars. The commissioner may register a motorcycle with a side car under one registration which shall cover the use of such motorcycle with or without such side car. (2) Four dollars of the total fee with respect to the registration of each motorcycle shall, when entered upon the records of the Special Transportation Fund, be

673 deemed to be appropriated to the Department of Transportation for
674 purposes of continuing the program of motorcycle rider education
675 formerly funded under the federal Highway Safety Act of 1978, 23
676 USC 402.

677 (c) For the registration of each taxicab or motor vehicle in livery
678 service, with a seating capacity of seven or less, the commissioner shall
679 charge a biennial fee of two hundred [fifty] seventy dollars. When the
680 seating capacity of such motor vehicle is more than seven, there shall
681 be added to the amount herein provided the sum of four dollars for
682 each seat so in excess.

683 (d) For the registration of each motor bus, except a motor bus
684 owned and operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier as
685 hereinafter defined, the commissioner shall charge a fee of [forty-
686 seven] seventy-three dollars and such registration shall be sufficient
687 for all types of operation under this chapter. [On and after July 1, 1992,
688 the fee shall be fifty-three dollars.] For the registration of motor buses
689 owned or operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier, the
690 commissioner shall charge registration fees based on the rate of one
691 dollar per hundredweight of the gross weight, such gross weight to be
692 computed by adding the light weight of the vehicle fully equipped for
693 service to one hundred fifty pounds per passenger for the rated seating
694 capacity, plus the sum of thirty-four dollars, and on and after July 1,
695 1992, one dollar and twenty-five cents plus the sum of thirty-nine
696 dollars. The fee in each case shall be determined on an apportionment
697 basis commensurate with the use of the highways of this state as
698 herein provided. The commissioner shall require the registration of
699 that percentage of the motor buses of such multiple-state passenger
700 carrier operating into or through the state which the mileage of such
701 motor buses actually operated in the state bears to the total mileage of
702 all such motor buses operated both within and without the state. Such
703 percentage figures shall be the mileage factor. In computing the
704 registration fees on the number of such motor buses which are
705 allocated to the state for registration purposes under the foregoing

706 formula, the commissioner shall first compute the amount that the
707 registration fees would be if all such motor buses were in fact subject
708 to registration in the state, and then apply to such amount the mileage
709 factor above referred to, provided, if the foregoing formula or method
710 of allocation results in apportioning a lesser or greater number of
711 motor buses or amount of registration fees to the state than the state
712 under all of the facts is fairly entitled to, then a formula that will fairly
713 apportion such registration fees to the state shall be determined and
714 used by the commissioner. Said mileage factor shall be computed prior
715 to March first of each year by using the mileage records of operations
716 of such motor buses operating both within and without the state for
717 the twelve-month period, or portion thereof, ending on August thirty-
718 first next preceding the commencement of the registration year for
719 which registration is sought. If there were no operations in the state
720 during any part of such preceding twelve-month period, the
721 commissioner shall proceed under the provisions of subsection (a) of
722 article IV of section 14-365. In apportioning the number of motor buses
723 to be registered in the state, as provided herein, any fractional part of a
724 motor bus shall be treated as a whole motor bus and shall be registered
725 and licensed as such. Any motor bus operated both within and
726 without the state which is not required to be registered in the state
727 under the provisions of this section shall nevertheless be identified as a
728 part of the fleet of the multiple-state passenger carrier and the
729 commissioner shall adopt an appropriate method of identification of
730 such motor buses owned and operated by such carrier. The
731 identification of all such motor buses by the commissioner as above
732 required shall be considered the same as the registration of such motor
733 buses under this chapter. The substitution from time to time of one
734 motor bus for another by a multiple-state passenger carrier shall not
735 require registration thereof in the state as long as the substitution does
736 not increase the aggregate number of motor buses employed in the
737 operation of such carrier, provided all such motor buses substituted for
738 others shall be immediately reported to and identification issued for
739 the same by the commissioner and, if a registration fee is required to

740 be paid for such substituted motor bus, the same shall be promptly
741 paid. As used in this subsection, the phrase "multiple-state passenger
742 carrier" means and includes any person, firm or corporation
743 authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission or its successor
744 agency to engage in the business of the transportation of passengers
745 for hire by motor buses, both within and without the state.

746 (e) (1) For the registration of a passenger motor vehicle used in part
747 for commercial purposes, except any pick-up truck having a gross
748 vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five hundred
749 pounds, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee of [eighty-three]
750 ninety-three dollars and shall issue combination registration to such
751 vehicle. (2) For the registration of a school bus, the commissioner shall
752 charge an annual fee of one hundred ten dollars for a type I school bus
753 and sixty dollars for a type II school bus. (3) For the registration of a
754 motor vehicle when used in part for commercial purposes and as a
755 passenger motor vehicle or of a motor vehicle having a seating
756 capacity greater than ten and not used for the conveyance of
757 passengers for hire, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee for
758 gross weight as for commercial registration, as outlined in section 14-
759 47, as amended by this act, plus the sum of [thirteen] twenty-three
760 dollars and shall issue combination registration to such vehicle. (4)
761 Each vehicle registered as combination shall be issued a number plate
762 bearing the word "combination". No vehicle registered as combination
763 may have a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of twelve thousand
764 five hundred pounds. (5) For the registration of a pick-up truck having
765 a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five
766 hundred pounds that is not used in part for commercial purposes, the
767 commissioner shall charge a biennial fee for gross weight as for
768 commercial registration, as provided in section 14-47, as amended by
769 this act, plus the sum of [thirteen] twenty-three dollars. The
770 commissioner may issue passenger registration to any such vehicle
771 with a gross vehicle weight rating of eight thousand five hundred
772 pounds or less.

773 (f) For the registration of each electric motor vehicle, the
774 commissioner shall charge a fee of [fifteen] twenty-eight dollars for
775 each year or part thereof. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be
776 eighteen dollars.]

777 (g) For the registration of all motorcycles, registered under a general
778 distinguishing number and mark, owned or operated by, or in the
779 custody of, a manufacturer of, dealer in or repairer of motorcycles,
780 there shall be charged an annual fee at the rate of [thirty-one] forty-five
781 dollars for each set of number plates furnished. [On and after July 1,
782 1992, the fee shall be thirty-five dollars.]

783 (h) The minimum annual fee for any commercial registration of a
784 motor vehicle not equipped with pneumatic tires shall be [fifty] sixty-
785 six dollars. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be fifty-six dollars.]

786 (i) For the transfer of the registration of a motor vehicle previously
787 registered, except as provided in subsection (e) of section 14-16, as
788 amended by this act, and subsection (d) of section 14-253a, there shall
789 be charged a fee of [twenty] twenty-five dollars.

790 (j) Repealed by 1972, P.A. 255, S. 6.

791 (k) For the registration of each motor hearse used exclusively for
792 transportation of the dead, the commissioner shall charge a fee of
793 [thirty-one] forty-five dollars. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall
794 be thirty-five dollars.] The commissioner may furnish distinguishing
795 number plates for any motor hearse.

796 (l) The fee for the registration of each truck to be used between parts
797 of an industrial plant, as provided in section 13a-117, shall be [twenty-
798 five] thirty-eight dollars for the first two hundred feet of the public
799 highway, the use of which is granted by such permit. [, and on and
800 after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be twenty-eight dollars.] For each
801 additional two hundred feet or fraction thereof, the fee shall be
802 [eleven] thirteen dollars. [, and on and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall

803 be twelve dollars.]

804 (m) (1) For the registration of a trailer used exclusively for camping
805 or any other recreational purpose, the commissioner shall charge a
806 biennial fee of [sixteen] twenty-eight dollars. [On and after July 1, 1992,
807 the fee shall be eighteen dollars] (2) For any other trailer or semitrailer
808 not drawn by a truck-tractor he shall charge the same fee as prescribed
809 for commercial registrations in section 14-47, as amended by this act,
810 provided the fee for a heavy duty trailer, a crane or any other heavy
811 construction equipment shall be three hundred [six] sixteen dollars for
812 each year; except that the registration fee for each motor vehicle
813 classed as a tractor-crane and equipped with rubber tires shall be one-
814 half the fee charged for the gross weight of commercial vehicles.

815 (n) For each temporary registration of a motor vehicle not used for
816 commercial purposes, or renewal of such registration, the
817 commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate of [twenty]
818 twenty-five dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof. For each
819 temporary registration of a motor vehicle used for commercial
820 purposes, or renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall
821 charge a fee computed at the rate of [twenty-five] thirty dollars for
822 each ten-day period, or part thereof, if the motor vehicle has a gross
823 vehicle weight rating of six thousand pounds or less. For each
824 temporary registration of a motor vehicle used for commercial
825 purposes, or renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall
826 charge a fee computed at the rate of [forty-six] fifty-one dollars for
827 each ten-day period, or part thereof, if the motor vehicle has a gross
828 vehicle weight rating of more than six thousand pounds.

829 (o) No registration fee or operator's license fee shall be charged in
830 respect to any motor vehicle owned by a municipality, as defined in
831 section 7-245, any other governmental agency or a military agency and
832 used exclusively for the conduct of official business. No registration fee
833 shall be charged for any motor vehicle owned by or leased to a transit
834 district and used exclusively to provide public transportation. No fee

835 shall be charged for the registration of ambulances owned by hospitals
836 or any nonprofit civic organization approved by the commissioner, but
837 a fee of twenty dollars shall be charged for the inspection of any such
838 ambulance. No fee shall be charged for the registration of fire
839 department apparatus as provided by section 14-19. No registration fee
840 shall be charged to a disabled veteran, as defined in section 14-254,
841 residing in this state for the registration of three passenger, camper or
842 passenger and commercial motor vehicles leased or owned by such
843 veteran in any registration year, provided such vehicles shall not be
844 used for hire. No registration fee shall be charged for any motor
845 vehicle leased to an agency of this state on or after June 4, 1982.

846 (p) For the registration of a service bus owned by an individual,
847 firm or corporation, exclusive of any nonprofit charitable, religious,
848 educational or community service organization, and used for the
849 transportation of persons without charge, the commissioner shall
850 charge a fee of two hundred ten dollars for vehicles having a seating
851 capacity of sixteen passengers or less, including the driver, and seven
852 hundred ten dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of more than
853 sixteen passengers. For the registration of any service bus owned by
854 any nonprofit charitable, religious, educational or community service
855 organization, the commissioner shall charge a fee of one hundred
856 [fifty] sixty dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of sixteen
857 passengers or less, and five hundred ten dollars for vehicles having a
858 seating capacity of more than sixteen passengers, provided such
859 service bus is used exclusively for the purpose of transporting persons
860 in relation to the purposes and activities of such organization. Each
861 such registration shall be issued for a biennial period in accordance
862 with a schedule established by the commissioner. Nothing herein
863 contained shall affect the provisions of subsection (e) of this section.

864 (q) The commissioner shall collect a biennial fee of [twenty-eight]
865 thirty-eight dollars for the registration of each motor vehicle used
866 exclusively for farming purposes. No such motor vehicle may be used
867 for the purpose of transporting goods for hire or taking the on-the-

road skills test portion of the examination for a motor vehicle operator's license. No farm registration shall be issued to any person operating a farm that has gross annual sales of less than two thousand five hundred dollars in the calendar year preceding registration. The commissioner may issue a farm registration for a passenger motor vehicle under such conditions as said commissioner shall prescribe in regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54. No motor vehicle issued a farm registration may be used to transport ten or more passengers on any highway unless such motor vehicle meets the requirements for equipment and mechanical condition set forth in this chapter, and, in the case of a vehicle used to transport more than fifteen passengers, including the driver, the applicable requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, as adopted by the commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-163c. The operator of such motor vehicle used to transport ten or more passengers shall hold a public transportation permit or endorsement issued in accordance with the provisions of section 14-44. Any farm registration used otherwise than as provided by this subsection shall be revoked.

(r) Repealed by P.A. 73-549, S. 2, 4.

(s) A fee of [sixty-five] seventy-five dollars shall be charged in addition to the regular fee prescribed for the registration of a motor vehicle, including but not limited to any passenger motor vehicle or motorcycle, in accordance with this section for a number plate or plates for such vehicle bearing any combination of letters or numbers requested by the registrant and which may be issued in the discretion of the commissioner, except in any case in which the number plates bear the official call letters of an amateur radio station. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be sixty-five dollars.]

(t) For the registration of each camper, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee of [sixty-two] eighty dollars. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be seventy dollars.] The commissioner shall refund

900 one-half of the registration fee for any camper registration when the
901 number plate or plates and registration certificate are returned with
902 one year or more remaining until the expiration of such registration.

903 (u) Repealed by P.A. 85-81.

904 (v) There shall be charged for each motor vehicle learner's permit or
905 renewal thereof a fee of [eighteen] twenty-eight dollars. There shall be
906 charged for each motorcycle training permit or renewal thereof a fee of
907 [fifteen] twenty-five dollars.

908 (w) In addition to the fee established for the issuance of motor
909 vehicle number plates and except as provided in subsection (a) of
910 section 14-21b and subsection (c) of section 14-253a there shall be an
911 additional safety fee of [five] ten dollars charged at the time of
912 issuance of any reflectorized safety number plate or set of plates. All
913 moneys derived from said safety fee shall be deposited in the Special
914 Transportation Fund. The commissioner may waive said safety fee in
915 the case of any person who submits a police report to the
916 commissioner indicating that the number plate or set of number plates
917 have been stolen or mutilated.

918 (x) For the registration of each high-mileage vehicle, the
919 commissioner shall charge a fee of [thirty-nine] fifty-four dollars for
920 each year or part thereof. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be
921 forty-four dollars.]

922 (y) For each special use registration for a period of thirty days or
923 less, the fee shall be [twenty] thirty dollars.

924 (z) The commissioner shall assess a [ten-dollar] twenty-five-dollar
925 late fee for renewal of a motor vehicle registration in the event a
926 registrant fails to renew his registration within five days after the
927 expiration of such registration, except that no such fee shall be
928 assessed for the late renewal of the registration, pursuant to
929 subdivision (1) of subsection (m) of this section, of (1) a trailer used

930 exclusively for camping or any other recreational purpose, or (2) a
931 motor vehicle designed or permanently altered in such a way as to
932 provide living quarters for travel or camping.

933 (aa) The commissioner shall refund one-half of the registration fee
934 for any motor vehicle when the number plate or plates and registration
935 certificate are returned on or after July 1, 2004, with one year or more
936 remaining until the expiration of such registration.

937 Sec. 15. Section 14-50 of the general statutes is repealed and the
938 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

939 [(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of section 14-41, there
940 shall be charged a fee of forty-three dollars for each renewal of a motor
941 vehicle operator's license issued for a period of four years, a fee of
942 sixty-five dollars for each renewal of a motor vehicle operator's license
943 issued for a period of six years and an additional fee of twelve dollars
944 for each year for each passenger endorsement.]

945 [(b)] (a) There shall be charged for each examination of an operator
946 of a motor vehicle a fee of [forty] fifty dollars. There may be charged
947 for each advance appointment for an operator's license examination a
948 fee of fifteen dollars which fee shall be paid to the commissioner at
949 least six business days prior to the date of the appointment and shall
950 be applied toward the examination fee if the applicant keeps the
951 appointment. If the applicant fails to keep the appointment, the
952 appointment fee shall be forfeited, unless (1) in the judgment of the
953 commissioner, the applicant's failure to keep the appointment was due
954 to exigent circumstances, or (2) the applicant reschedules the
955 appointment.

956 [(c)] (b) The commissioner shall waive any operator's license or
957 registration fee, including any renewal fee in the case of any person in
958 the active service of the armed forces of the United States who was a
959 legal resident of Connecticut at the time of his induction; and for one
960 licensing period to any person honorably separated from such service

961 who applies therefor within two years following the date of separation
962 and was a legal resident of Connecticut at the time of his induction.
963 The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter
964 54, to implement the provisions of this subsection.

965 [(d)] (c) Upon request by the chief of any regular fire department or
966 volunteer fire company operating in the state of Connecticut, the
967 commissioner shall waive the operator's examination fee in the case of
968 any member of any such fire department or company who applies for
969 a class 1 operator's license as provided in section 14-36a. The applicant
970 for such license shall satisfy all prerequisites for the issuance of a class
971 1 license.

972 [(e)] (d) The commissioner may assess a fee to cover the cost of the
973 collection of number plates, motor vehicle registration certificates or
974 operators' licenses, upon the holders thereof; and such number plates,
975 motor vehicle registration certificates or operators' licenses shall not be
976 returned to the holder thereof or reissued until such fee is paid.

977 [(f)] (e) Whenever any check issued to the commissioner in payment
978 of any fee is returned as uncollectible, the commissioner shall charge
979 the drawer of such check or the person presenting such check to him a
980 fee of thirty-five dollars for each such check which is drawn in an
981 amount of not more than two hundred dollars, and a fee of fifteen per
982 cent of the full amount of each such check which is drawn in an
983 amount in excess of two hundred dollars, plus all protest fees, to cover
984 the cost of collection.

985 [(g)] (f) All fees provided for in this chapter shall be construed to be
986 license fees imposed for the administration of this chapter and as
987 compensation for the privilege of using the highways of this state, and
988 to reimburse the state in whole or in part for injury done to the
989 highways by the operation of motor vehicles.

990 Sec. 16. Section 14-50a of the general statutes is repealed and the
991 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

992 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the fee charged by
993 the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for the following items or services
994 shall be [twenty] twenty-five dollars:

995 (1) Duplicate of a registration certificate.

996 (2) First duplicate of a motor vehicle operator's license, second
997 duplicate of a motor vehicle operator's license, and each duplicate of a
998 motor vehicle operator's license thereafter, [thirty] thirty-five dollars.

999 (3) Replacement number plate or set of number plates, except as
1000 provided in subsection (c) of section 14-253a.

1001 (4) Replacement number plate or set of number plates bearing same
1002 number as set of replaced plates.

1003 (5) Each search of the accident record files made pursuant to a
1004 request for a copy of an accident report which results in no document
1005 being produced.

1006 (6) Each copy of an accident report.

1007 (7) Certified copy of an accident record.

1008 (8) Certified statement of "no record of accident".

1009 (9) Certified abstract of driving history record, or driving history
1010 record for applicants for commercial driver's license with passenger
1011 endorsement or transportation permit.

1012 (10) Name of registered owner.

1013 (11) Operator license information.

1014 (12) Certification of any copy or record.

1015 (13) Certified transcripts of hearing held by the commissioner, three
1016 dollars and fifty cents per page with a minimum charge of [twenty]
1017 twenty-five dollars.

1018 (14) Each copy of a motor vehicle operator's completed application
1019 for a license.

1020 (15) Each copy of a completed application for registration of a motor
1021 vehicle.

1022 (16) Each copy of a title document provided to a municipality.

1023 (17) Each request for information as provided in section 14-10, the
1024 amount provided in said section.

1025 (18) For any copy or material released from information maintained
1026 by the Department of Motor Vehicles for which no fee is established by
1027 statute, an amount determined by the commissioner.

1028 (b) The commissioner may establish fees not conforming to those of
1029 subsection (a) of this section for information furnished on a volume
1030 basis to persons or firms who satisfy the commissioner that the
1031 information furnished is properly required in connection with the
1032 conduct of such person's or firm's business, except that commencing
1033 on August 16, 2003, the fee established under this subsection for
1034 driving history records furnished to for-profit businesses shall be not
1035 less than fifteen dollars.

1036 (c) The commissioner may waive any fee specified in subdivision (3)
1037 or (4) of subsection (a) of this section in the case of any person who
1038 submits a police report to the commissioner indicating that the number
1039 plate or set of number plates have been stolen or mutilated for the
1040 purpose of obtaining the sticker attached to the plate denoting the
1041 expiration date of the registration.

1042 (d) No person, firm or corporation furnished information by the
1043 commissioner as provided by this section shall distribute such
1044 information for any other purpose than that for which it was
1045 furnished.

1046 (e) Any person, firm or corporation which violates any provision of

1047 this section shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

1048 Sec. 17. Section 14-50b of the general statutes is repealed and the
1049 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1050 (a) Any person whose operator's license or right to operate a motor
1051 vehicle in this state has been suspended or revoked by the
1052 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, or who has been disqualified from
1053 operating a commercial motor vehicle, shall pay a restoration fee of
1054 one hundred [twenty-five] fifty dollars to said commissioner prior to
1055 the issuance to such person of a new operator's license or the
1056 restoration of such operator's license or such privilege to operate a
1057 motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle. Such restoration fee shall
1058 be in addition to any other fees provided by law.

1059 (b) Any person whose motor vehicle registration or right of
1060 operation of a motor vehicle in this state has been suspended or
1061 revoked by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall pay a restoration
1062 fee of one hundred [twenty-five] fifty dollars to said commissioner
1063 prior to the issuance to such person of a new registration or the
1064 restoration of such registration or such right of operation. Such
1065 restoration fee shall be in addition to any other fees provided by law.

1066 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, on and
1067 after July 1, 2005, the first two hundred fifty thousand dollars of
1068 revenues collected from the payment of restoration fees under this
1069 section shall be appropriated to the Department of Motor Vehicles for
1070 the payment of costs, including, but not limited to, the cost of
1071 computer reprogramming, incurred by the department in establishing
1072 procedures for the suspension of operator's licenses or nonresident
1073 operating privileges under subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section
1074 14-227b.

1075 Sec. 18. Subsection (k) of section 14-164c of the general statutes is
1076 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1077 *1, 2009*):

1078 (k) (1) The commissioner, with approval of the Secretary of the
1079 Office of Policy and Management, shall establish, and from time to
1080 time modify, the inspection fees, not to exceed ten dollars per annual
1081 inspection or twenty dollars for each biennial inspection or
1082 reinspection required pursuant to this chapter for inspections
1083 performed at official emissions inspection stations. Such fees shall be
1084 paid in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. If the costs to the
1085 state of the emissions inspection program, including administrative
1086 costs and payments to any independent contractor, exceed the income
1087 from such fees, such excess costs shall be borne by the state. Any
1088 person whose vehicle has been inspected at an official emissions
1089 inspection station shall, if such vehicle is found not to comply with any
1090 required standards, have the vehicle repaired and have the right
1091 within thirty consecutive calendar days to return such vehicle to the
1092 same official emissions inspection station for one reinspection without
1093 charge, provided, where the thirtieth day falls on a Sunday, legal
1094 holiday or a day on which the commissioner has established that
1095 special circumstances or conditions exist that have caused emissions
1096 inspection to be impracticable, such person may return such vehicle for
1097 reinspection on the next day. The commissioner shall assess a late fee
1098 of [twenty] twenty-five dollars for the emissions inspection of a motor
1099 vehicle performed at an official emissions inspection station later than
1100 thirty days after the expiration date of the assigned inspection period
1101 provided the commissioner may waive such late fee when it is proven
1102 to the commissioner's satisfaction that the failure to have the vehicle
1103 inspected within thirty days of the assigned inspection period was due
1104 to exigent circumstances. If ownership of the motor vehicle has been
1105 transferred subsequent to the expiration date of the assigned
1106 inspection period and the new owner has such motor vehicle inspected
1107 within thirty days of the registration of such motor vehicle, the
1108 commissioner shall waive the late fee. If the thirtieth day falls on a
1109 Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which the commissioner has
1110 established that special circumstances or conditions exist that have
1111 caused emissions inspection to be impracticable, such vehicle may be

1112 inspected on the next day and no late fee shall be assessed.

1113 (2) If the commissioner authorizes a licensed dealer or repairer to
1114 conduct emissions inspections of 1996 model year and newer vehicles
1115 required by this chapter, the commissioner may authorize such
1116 licensee to charge a fee, not to exceed twenty dollars for each biennial
1117 inspection or reinspection.

1118 (3) Upon the registration of each new motor vehicle subject to the
1119 inspection requirements of this chapter, or of each motor vehicle that is
1120 four or less model years of age that has not been registered previously
1121 in this state, the commissioner may issue a sticker indicating the
1122 exempt status of such motor vehicle and the date on which the motor
1123 vehicle is scheduled to be presented for inspection. Any such sticker
1124 that may be issued shall be displayed on the motor vehicle in
1125 accordance with subsection (d) of this section. On and after July 1,
1126 2002, the commissioner shall charge a fee of forty dollars in addition to
1127 any other fees required for such registration. All receipts from the
1128 payment of such fee shall be deposited in the Special Transportation
1129 Fund.

1130 Sec. 19. Section 14-192 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1131 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1132 (a) The commissioner shall be paid the following fees: (1) For filing
1133 an application for a certificate of title, [twenty-five] thirty dollars; (2)
1134 for each security interest noted upon a certificate of title or maintained
1135 in the electronic title file pursuant to subsection (b) of section 14-175,
1136 [ten] fifteen dollars; (3) for each record copy search, [twenty] twenty-
1137 five dollars; (4) for each assignment of a security interest noted upon a
1138 certificate of title or maintained in the electronic title file, [ten] fifteen
1139 dollars; (5) for an application for a duplicate certificate of title, [twenty-
1140 five] thirty dollars, provided such fee shall not be required for any
1141 such duplicate certificate of title (A) which is requested on a form
1142 prepared and signed by the assessor in any town for purposes of such
1143 proof of ownership of a motor vehicle as may be required in

1144 accordance with section 12-71b, or (B) in connection with an
1145 application submitted by a licensed dealer in accordance with the
1146 provisions of subsection (c) of section 14-12 or section 14-61; (6) for an
1147 ordinary certificate of title issued upon surrender of a distinctive
1148 certificate, [ten] fifteen dollars; (7) for filing a notice of security interest,
1149 [ten] fifteen dollars; (8) for a certificate of search of the records of the
1150 Department of Motor Vehicles, for each name or identification number
1151 searched against, [twenty] twenty-five dollars; (9) for filing an
1152 assignment of security interest, [ten] fifteen dollars; (10) for search of a
1153 motor vehicle certificate of title record, requested by a person other
1154 than the owner of such motor vehicle, [twenty] twenty-five dollars;
1155 and (11) for a bond filing under section 14-176, [twenty-five] thirty
1156 dollars.

1157 (b) If an application, certificate of title or other document required to
1158 be mailed or delivered to the commissioner under any provision of this
1159 chapter is not delivered to the commissioner within ten days from the
1160 time it is required to be mailed or delivered, the commissioner shall
1161 collect, as a penalty, an amount equal to the fee required for the
1162 transaction.

1163 (c) Motor vehicles leased to an agency of this state and motor
1164 vehicles owned by the state, an agency of the state, or a municipality,
1165 as defined in section 7-245, shall be exempt from the fees imposed by
1166 this section.

1167 Sec. 20. (*Effective July 1, 2009*) The work formerly performed by
1168 employees of the Department of Public Safety pursuant to section 14-
1169 270c of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall no longer be
1170 performed by such employees. Any sworn personnel of the Division of
1171 State Police shall be reassigned to a position within the Division of
1172 State Police. Any action taken as a result of the change in this section
1173 shall not be deemed to be a violation of any collective bargaining
1174 agreement or chapter 68 of the general statutes.

1175 Sec. 21. Section 13b-78m of the general statutes is repealed and the

1176 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1177 (a) (1) Effective January 1, 2010, each New Haven Line rail fare
1178 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one and
1179 one-quarter per cent over the existing fare on all rail fares on the New
1180 Haven Line, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be deposited in
1181 the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1182 (2) Effective January 1, 2011, each New Haven Line rail fare
1183 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1184 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1185 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1186 (3) Effective January 1, 2012, each New Haven Line rail fare
1187 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1188 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1189 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1190 (4) Effective January 1, 2013, each New Haven Line rail fare
1191 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1192 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1193 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1194 (5) Effective January 1, 2014, each New Haven Line rail fare
1195 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1196 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1197 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1198 (6) Effective January 1, 2015, each New Haven Line rail fare
1199 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1200 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1201 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1202 (7) Effective January 1, 2016, each New Haven Line rail fare
1203 originating or terminating in the state shall be increased by one per
1204 cent over the existing fare, [and the proceeds of such increase shall be
1205 deposited in the account established by subsection (b) of this section.]

1206 [(b) There is hereby created a restricted capital project account to be
 1207 known as the New Haven Line revitalization account which shall be a
 1208 nonlapsing account within the Special Transportation Fund. The
 1209 following funds shall be deposited into the account: (1) The proceeds
 1210 of the fare increases required by subsection (a) of this section, and (2)
 1211 any other funds required by law to be deposited in the account. Funds
 1212 in the account shall be used solely for capital costs and debt service
 1213 incurred as part of the New Haven Line revitalization program
 1214 undertaken pursuant to public act 05-4 of the June special session*,
 1215 except that such funds may be used for the purchase of rail cars for the
 1216 New Haven Line in addition to those specified in subdivision (1) of
 1217 section 13b-78l.

1218 (c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall, in
 1219 consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, annually
 1220 prepare a budget detailing how funds in the New Haven Line
 1221 revitalization account shall be spent during the next fiscal year. On the
 1222 approval of such budget by the Governor, the Commissioner of
 1223 Transportation may expend funds from such account for the purposes
 1224 stated therein.]

1225 [(d)] (b) The Commissioner of Transportation shall, by regulations
 1226 adopted in accordance with chapter 54, determine the method by
 1227 which the increase shall be applied to daily, multiple-ride, weekly and
 1228 monthly commutation tickets.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-270c
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-270
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	21-50
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	21-52
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	1-1h
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-12g

Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-12s
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-16
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-41
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-44h
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-47
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-49
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-50
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-50a
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-50b
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-164c(k)
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	14-192
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	13b-78m

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]